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INTRODUCTION

This information package represents an effort on the part of the staff of the National Agricultural Library to assemble a variety of information about an important current topic. The lead essay prepared by a knowledgeable expert in the field discusses in some depth the specific issue.

FROM THE LITERATURE provides a representative sampling of literature available on the subject. Much of these materials were selected from the AGRICOLA database of the National Agricultural Library. An NAL call number is given for titles in the collections of the Library. The Library does not maintain a collection of audiovisual materials in this subject area. Sources are listed from which slide and filmstrips may be acquired.

The listings of CURRENT RESEARCH and DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS are taken from several databases. CRIS (Current Research Information System) is a computer based information storage and retrieval reporting system for publicly supported agricultural and forestry research in the United States. For further information contact Current Research Information Systems, NAL Building, Beltsville, MD 20705 (telephone 301-344-3850). Descriptions of demonstration projects were provided by the NARS (Narrative Accomplishment Reporting Systems) of the Extension Service, USDA, NAL Building, Beltsville, Md, 20705, telephone (301) 344-3750.

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Bibliographies

An excellent bibliography (146 items) is appended to an article on "Wood Energy in the United States," by Charles E. Hewitt, Colin J. High, Norman Marshall, and Robin Wildermuth in <u>Annual Review of Energy</u>, v. 6, 1981 (Palo Alto, Calif., Annual Reviews, Inc.).

Energy and Agriculture is a subfile of AGRICOLA (the database of the National Agricultural Library) consisting of over 3,000 citations. Many of the citations contain abstracts. The file covers generation, conservation, and use of energy by food and fiber sectors and the creation of energy by or for the agricultural community.

Directories

A list of associations, organizations, and Cooperative Extension Service contacts with full addresses and telephone numbers, which can provide useful information, is given in Appendix B of Ethanol Fuels Reference Guide; A Decision-maker's Guide to Ethanol Fuels. (Golden, Colo., Technical Information Branch, Solar Energy Research Institute, 1982. 240 p.). Available in print from Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C., and in microfiche from National Technical Information Service, U.S. Dept. of Commerce, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, VA 22161. Sources should be selected with care.

The Bio-Energy Directory. Paul F. Bente, Jr., ed. Washington, D.C. The Bio-Energy Council. 1, 1978. Reports significant activities in the United States and abroad on the development and use of biomass as a readily available resource which can be used to supplement conventional energy supplies. It presents a comprehensive accounting of the various technologies that are being investigated and actually used.

GOVERNMENTAL SOURCES

The Office of Energy in the U.S. Department of Agriculture serves as the focal point for information on agricultural energy and related programs within the Department. The office is responsible for developing and coordinating all USDA energy policies and programs and providing liaison with the U.S. Department of Energy. Write or telephone:

Energy
Room 144-E, Admin. Bg.
U.S. Department of Agriculture
14th & Independence Ave., S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20250
202 447-2634

Information on energy assistance programs is provided by local or State offices of the following U.S. Department of Agriculture agencies:

Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service
(administers specified commodity and related land use programs
designed for voluntary production adjustment, resource protection,
and price, market, and farm income stabilization.)

Extension Service

(conducts educational programs to help the public learn about and apply to everyday activities the latest technology and management knowledge development through research by the land-grant universities, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and other sources. There is a program for energy convervation.)

Farmers Home Administration

(provides credit for those in rural America who are unable to get credit from other sources at reasonable rates and terms.)

Forest Service

(is responsible for national leadership in forestry; among its objectives are promotion and achievement of a pattern of natural resource uses that will best meet the needs of people now and in the future.)

Soil Conservation Service

(assists in agricultural pollution control, environmental improvement, and rural community development.)

The <u>Energy Information Aministration</u> (EIA) is required under the Department of Enery organization act of 1977 to collect and distribute unbiased energy information to Congress and the public. The information is primarily national and international energy statistics on all major fuels. Contact:

National Energy Information Center, Room 1F-048 Energy Information Administration 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W. Washington, D.C. 202 252-8000

The automated Federal Energy Data Index (FEDEX) contains energy statistical information.

202 252-8853

Energy Extension Service
U.S. Department of Energy
Congress appropriated money which is distributed to State governors on a
formula basis; 50% is distributed equally among all State governors and 50%
is distributed to the States on basis of population. At the State level,
the program is administered by the State Energy Office. In some States the
program is contracted to private or public bodies. The Cooperative
Extension Service is one of these bodies.

NON-GOVERNMENTAL

American Society of Agricultural Engineers 2950 Miles Road St. Joseph, Michigan 49085 616 429-0300

Bio-energy Council 1625 Eye Street, N.W., Suite 825A Washington, D.C. 20006 202 833-5656

Bio Energy Development Corporation P.O. Box 1801 Hilo, HI 96720 808 935-9919

Brewer (C.) Company, Ltd. P.O. Box 1826 Honolulu, HI 96805

Charles A. Berg Associates RFD 1, Box 165 Bucksfield, ME 04220 207 336-2396

General Electric Company
Controlled Environment Agricultural Operation
Electronic Systems Division
Syracuse, NY 13221
315 456-7740

Institute of Gas Technology 3424 South State Street Chicago, IL 60616 International Paper Company Southlands Experiment Forest Route 1, Box 571 Bainbridge, GA 31717 912 246-3642

Maine Audubon Society
Gilsland Farm
118 Old Route One
Falmouth, ME 04105
207 781-2330

National Fire Protection Association Batterymarch Park Quincey, MA 02269 617 328-9290

New Colorado Associates P.O. Box 8986 Denver, CO 80201 303 893-5749

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PRIMARY JOURNALS

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Monthly newspaper covering developments in wood and other renewal energy resources.

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 Forestry Department. Distribution and Sales Section, Via delle Terme di Caracalla, 00100 Rome, Italy
- Wood 'N Energy. 1980. m. New Hampshire Times, Box 2008, 13 Depot St., Concord, NH 03301.
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